#### TITLE 345 INDIANA STATE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

### **Proposed Rule**

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#### **DIGEST**

Adds <u>345 IAC 13</u> to require commercial dog brokers and commercial dog breeders to register with the Indiana State Board of Animal Health and pay a fee and to establish requirements for registering and annual renewal of registrations. Effective 30 days after filing with the Publisher.

IC 4-22-2.1-5 Statement Concerning Rules Affecting Small Businesses

#### 345 IAC 13

SECTION 1. 345 IAC 13 IS ADDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

#### ARTICLE 13. COMMERCIAL DOG BREEDERS AND BROKERS

### Rule 1. Commercial Dog Breeder and Broker Registration

# 345 IAC 13-1-1 Definitions and general provisions

Authority: <u>IC 15-17-3-21</u>; <u>IC 15-21-3-3</u> Affected: <u>IC 15-17-3</u>; <u>IC 15-17-4</u>; <u>IC 15-21</u>

Sec. 1. The definitions in IC 15-21 and the following definitions apply throughout this rule:

- (1) "Board" means the Indiana state board of animal health established by IC 15-17-3.
- (2) "State veterinarian" means the state veterinarian appointed under IC 15-17-4.

(Indiana State Board of Animal Health; 345 IAC 13-1-1)

# 345 IAC 13-1-2 Commercial dog brokers

Authority: IC 15-17-3-21; IC 15-21-3-3

Affected: IC 15-21

Sec. 2. (a) A person who:

- (1) is a Class B licensee under 9 CFR 1.1; and
- (2) sells five hundred (500) or more dogs in a calendar year; must register with the board as a commercial dog broker and pay the annual registration fee.
- (b) The fee to register or renew a registration as a commercial dog broker is one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(Indiana State Board of Animal Health; 345 IAC 13-1-2)

# 345 IAC 13-1-3 Commercial dog breeders

Authority: IC 15-17-3-21; IC 15-21-3-3

Affected: IC 15-21

Sec. 3. (a) A person who maintains more than twenty (20) unaltered female dogs that are at least twelve (12) months of age must:

- (1) register with the board as a commercial dog breeder; and
- (2) pay the annual registration fee.

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- (b) A person may not avoid registering by moving dogs to more than one (1) premises.
- (c) If there are twenty (20) or more unaltered female dogs on a premises, there must be a registration for the premises even if there is more than one (1) owner of the dogs.
- (d) The fee to register as a commercial dog breeder is determined by the number of unaltered female dogs at least twelve (12) months of age or older maintained by the breeder as follows:

Number of Unaltered Female Dogs at Least 12 Months of Age	Annual Fee		
50 or fewer 51 – 100 101 – 150	\$75 \$200 \$300		
		151 – 250	\$400
		251 and up	\$500

(Indiana State Board of Animal Health; 345 IAC 13-1-3)

# 345 IAC 13-1-4 Registration renewal

Authority: <u>IC 15-17-3-21</u>; <u>IC 15-21-3-3</u> Affected: <u>IC 15-21-2</u>; <u>IC 15-21-3</u>

Sec. 4. The following apply to a registration required under sections 2 and 3 of this rule:

- (1) A person may register by submitting a completed registration application and the required fee to the state veterinarian.
- (2) A registration is valid for one (1) year. The month the state veterinarian receives a completed application and the fee is paid is the month of registration. The month of registration will remain fixed. A registration expires on the last day of the month of registration in the following year.
- (3) A person may renew their registration up to sixty (60) days prior to its expiration.
- (4) A person who continues to operate as a commercial dog breeder or commercial dog broker after their registration expires may reestablish their registration under this rule by:
  - (A) submitting a completed registration application to the state veterinarian; and
  - (B) paying the fee required under subdivision (5).
- (5) A person who operates as a commercial dog breeder or as a commercial dog broker without maintaining a valid registration with the board must do the following:
  - (A) Pay a registration fee that is equal to two (2) times the applicable registration fee required under sections 2 and 3 of this rule.
  - (B) If a person operated without being registered for more than one (1) year, pay the registration fee described in this subdivision for each year they operated without being registered.

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(Indiana State Board of Animal Health; 345 IAC 13-1-4)

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